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SUBJECT: SPECIAL ASSISTANCE FOR REFUGEES IN ZAIRE

REF: A) KINSHASA 1301 B) STATE 17570 C) GENEVA 1062 D) KINSHASA 0878 E) GENEVA 0855

- 1. APPRECIATE MISSION GENEVA'S TRANSMITTAL OF UNHCR KINSHASA REFUGEE REPORT (REF C.) CERTAIN POINTS IN THE REPORT REQUIRE COMMENT.
- 2. MANY OF THE 471,340 ANGOLAN REFUGEES CITED IN THE REPORT HAVE BEEN INTEGRATED INTO THE ZAIRIAN ECONOMY. WE ESTIMATE THAT LESS THAN A QUARTER REMAIN IN NEED OF MATERIAL ASSISTANCE AND A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THESE ARE NEW ARRIVALS IN THE TSHELA AREA (REF D).
- 3. WE DO NOT CONSIDER THAT THE REGIONAL OFFICE HAS YET MADE ADEQUATE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH AN OPERATIONAL PROGRAM IN THE TSHELA AREA. WE UNDERSTAND THAT UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE NOEL FINALLY VISITED THE AREA DURING THE PAST WEEKEND, PERHAPS AS A PRELUDE TO PROGRAMMED ASSISTANCE. WE SHALL MAKE INQUIRIES WITH THE LOCAL.

UNHCR. IN THE MEANTIME, AN EMBOFF IS CURRENTLY IN THE TSHELA AREA, MAKING AN INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF REFUGEE NEEDS. HIS CONFIDENTIAL

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REPORT WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

4. REPORT NOTED THAT LOCAL UNHCR HAD CONSULTED EMBASSY ON "TERMS OF REFERENCE". IN FACT, GULDBERG CALLED POLCOUNS TO ASK IF REPORT SHOULD COVER ALL REFUGEES IN ZAIRE OR JUST REFUGEES IN BAS ZAIRE. POLCOUNS ADVISED THAT REPORT SHOULD COVER ALL REFUGEES AND BE AS DETAILED AS POSSIBLE. IN ADDITION, EMBOFF CONSULTED

WITH LOCAL UNHCR TO OBTAIN MANY FACTS CONTAINED IN REF D. UNHCR REPRESENTATIVE SCHEINMAN WAS MOST HELPFUL IN FURNISHING PUBLIC INFORMATION.

5. ACCORDING TO REF E, IACOVOU WAS EXPECTED IN GENEVA FEBRUARY 9. REQUEST THAT MISSION GENEVA FORWARD TO US GIST OF HIS REPORT IF AVAILABLE.
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